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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: BRAVEN, Helen, KEAY, Russell; and FLOWER, Stephen

Title: PROTEASE DETECTION ASSAY

Serial No.: 10/562,290

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Examiner: MARTIN, Paul C.

Group Art Unit: 1657

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Advisory Action, mailed 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2009, following Applicants' Response after Final to the Examiner's Final Office action mailed 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2009, in the above-referenced application.

Applicant respectfully petitions for a three (3)-month extension of time within which to respond to the Final Office action dated 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2009, such extension allowing the undersigned until 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 to respond.